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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

The Amendment of Part 97 of the ) Commission's Amateur Radio Service Rules ) to Permit Greater Flexibility in ) Data Communications

As an active amateur radio operator, KM4UJP, I support the increase in the allowed BAUD rate for digital radio communications. I am personally involved in ARES (Amateur Radio Emergency Service, and an increase in BAUD rate will potentially strengthen this system which has proved it worth in the recent Hurricane Michael experience on the Gulf Coast, where I live.

Digital radio communication are very mainstream these days and used by a wide and rapidly growing group of radio amateurs

I am not sure I understand Ted Rappaports position, however increasing the BAUD rate allowed in no way represents a security threat to the US or any other country.

Further I fully support the position taken by ARSFI.

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